

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): A method for granulating a flexible polyolefin resin, comprising  
~~steps of:~~

melting a flexible polyolefin resin obtained by polymerizing an  $\alpha$ -olefin with 3 to 20  
carbon atoms using a metallocene catalyst, and

melt-kneading the resin while cooling the resin to a temperature of the melting point  
(Tm-D) of the resin or less.

Claim 2 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein the rate of cooling the  
resin is 5 to 300°C/min.

Claim 3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein the flexible polyolefin  
resin satisfies the following (1) and (2):

(1) the flexible polyolefin resin is a crystalline resin with a melting point (Tm-D) from  
20 to 120°C, and

(2) the crystallization time of the flexible polyolefin resin is 3 minutes or more.

Claim 5 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein the flexible polyolefin  
resin is polypropylene satisfying the following (3):

(3) PP isotacticity [mm] is 50 to 90 mol%.

Claim 6 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein the flexible polyolefin resin is a 1-butene polymer satisfying the following (4):

(4) PB isotacticity  $((\text{mmmm})/(\text{mmrr+rmmr}))$  is 20 or less.

Claim 7 (Original): Granules of a flexible polyolefin resin granulated by the method of claim 1.